



香港女工商及專業人員聯會

**HONG KONG WOMEN PROFESSIONALS & ENTREPRENEURS ASSOCIATION
LIMITED**

**Annual General Meeting
President's Report for 2017 - 2018**

Dear Members,

I take pleasure in submitting my fourth and final annual report of our Association (“HKWPEA”) covering the last year of my second term with the board.

It has been the Association’s good tradition for Working Committees to be active. The past year was no exception. Our 12 Working Committees have staged a high number of quality activities ranging from professional and general knowledge talks to fellowship gatherings and art walk/talk. We have also continued to organise networking functions and contributed to the community.

Since the first Outstanding Women Awards (OWA) competition in 1999, we have recognized over 40 outstanding women. To create a platform for these exceptional female professionals and entrepreneurs to connect and interact to unleash further potentials in enhancing excellence and serving the community, a new OWA Alumni C’ttee was formed with Caroline Mak and Grace Tse as co-chair. A task force was also organized to seek to secure government funding for a proposed tech-based, smart learning initiative titled ‘Smart, Happy Families’. Dr. Amanda Lin was the coordinator of the Task Force, whose efforts would form the foundation of a formalized, new Innovation & Technology Working C’ttee in the next term.

The following is a summary of the activities completed or progress over the last year by all the C’ttees.

I. Environmental Protection

Mabel Mak and Sandra Mak are the Co-Chairpersons of the Committee.

FoodEver WasteNever Programme

The domain name of “FoodEver.hk” expired on 15 Jan 2018. With great help from Janet of HKWPEA, all the contents were transferred to the HKWPEA website.

HKPC has conveyed the following information to the Programme Supporting Organizations, Awardees and those who may have set link of the Programme in their own websites:

- (1) The FoodEver WasteNever Programme was completed. The website “FoodEver.hk” was terminated on 15 Jan 2018 and the previous link of the website “FoodEver.hk” was no longer valid.
- (2) The new address of the FoodEver WasteNever website is <http://www.hkwpea.org/foodever/en/index/> or can be accessed by clicking the banner in HKWPEA's website <http://www.hkwpea.org/hkwpea/index.htm>.

In May, June and July 2018, ECC requested for additional information such as traffic fees, original receipts of audit fees and record of Provident Fund for the Project Officer, etc. HKWPEA and HKPC then submitted a draft “支出確認書” in July. On 14 September, ECC replied to HKPC that they have no further comments on the draft “支出確認書”. As such Sandra Mak and Mabel Mak will sign the “支出確認書”.

HKPC was informed by the ECC Secretariat that they will circulate our report to ECF Vetting Subcommittee and it would take 3 to 4 months for this process. Upon which, the account department of ECC may take another 1 to 2 months to issue the final disbursement of payment. Therefore it is estimated that we may need to wait for 4 to 6 months to receive the final disbursement of payment.

Please see below extract from page 4 of the Report and Financial statements we sent to ECC. The estimated reimbursement to HKWPEA and then return to HKPC is \$252,909.13, subject to ECC’s approval.

HONG KONG WOMEN PROFESSIONALS & ENTREPRENEURS ASSOCIATION LIMITED “FOODEVER · WASTENEVER PROGRAMME” (EE & CA) Project No. 1459		
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AT MAY 31, 2017		
	NOTE	HK\$
CURRENT ASSET		
Accounts receivable		
- Environment and Conservation Fund	3	722,154.94
Bank balances	4	389,952.78
		1,112,107.72
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accrued expenses	5	24,388.50
Amount due to Hong Kong Productivity Council	6	1,340,628.35
		1,365,016.85
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(252,909.13)
ACCUMULATED FUND		
Deficit for the period		(252,909.13)

II. Fellowship, Programmes & Events

Catherine Yau and Cindy Chan Lo are the Co-Chairpersons of the Committee.

1. 2017 Christmas Party

The Christmas Party in 2017 was another successful fellowship event, with over 100 members and guests celebrating the festive season in style at the Full Moon Restaurant.



2. Dinner Talk with the Social Enterprise Subcommittee

The Dinner Talk, “Lead the helping hand - Social Service Initiatives of HKWPEA”, featured a sharing session hosted by our Social Enterprise and Services Committee. The purpose of this dinner talk was to

familiarize our members with the Leadership Training Programme. A total of 47 participants attended the function at the Lingnan Club on 18 January, 2018.



3. 5th Business Meeting cum Spring Dinner

The 2018 Spring Dinner was held on 23 March at the Full Moon Restaurant. Among 59 members and guests were representatives from LOCPG and All-China Women Federation.

4. 6th Business Meeting cum Dinner Talk

The 6th Business Meeting cum Dinner Talk was held on 27 June at CGCC with a turnout of 53 members and guests including members' young mentees from Maryknoll Convent School (Secondary Section) and Li Ka Shing Medical School of HKU. The title of the Dinner Talk was "*e-learning Technologies: Inside and outside classroom, from gown to town*". The Guest Speaker Dr. Wilton Fok of HKU e-Learning Centre and Assistant Dean of Engineering, also our prospective partner and implementation agent for the proposed Smart Happy Families project, presented our participants with insightful thoughts about the e-learning eco-system in the Greater Bay Area.

5. 2018 AGM cum Dinner

The 2018 AGM cum Dinner is scheduled to be held on 27 September 2018 at the World Trade Centre Club. Financial Secretary, Mr. Paul Chan, GBM, GBS, MH, JP, is the Honorary Guest and would address the AGM Dinner after the meeting.

III. International & Local Liaison

Angela To and Fanny Lui are the Co-Chairpersons of the Committee.

List of major events supported by HKWPEA:

- a) President Sandra Mak, Marina Wong, Angela To, Fanny Lui, Lynette Tiong and many members attended the Jumpstarter 2017 Grand Finale organised by Alibaba Group on 21 November 2017. Invitation was extended by our member Cindy Chow. We visited the startup showcase and attended the final pitch session, keynote speech and award ceremony.
- b) HKWPEA was Collaborating Partner of InnoTech Expo 2017 (創科博覽 2017) which was held between 24 September - 2 October. Many members and their families attended the Expo and a few members with their families also joined the exclusive tour on 1 October. We wish to thank Eva Cheng for the opportunity to support Our Hong Kong Foundation's major expo.
- c) Angela To, on behalf of HKWPEA, participated the Organising Committee of the 2017/18 Family-Friendly Employers Award Scheme and promoted the Award Scheme to all members.
- d) Helen Kan attended the International Women's Day Reception organised by the Hong Kong Federation of Women at Hong Kong Government House on 21 March.
- e) Many of our members attended the 「巾幗亮香江」 concert organised by 區婦聯代表聯誼會 to celebrate the International Women's Day and its 10th Anniversary at City Hall on 22 March.
- f) Our members also joined the 中華大講堂 on "中國特色的司法文明" seminar with guest speaker 最高人民法院副院長姜偉先生 organised by Our Hong Kong Foundation at HKCEC on 23 March.
- g) Helen Kan attended Hong Kong Chinese Women's Club 香港中國婦女會 luncheon seminar on "一帶一路" on 18 April.
- h) Sandra Mak, Fanny Lui, Helen Kan, Marina Wong, Janice Tsang, Rebecca Choy, Christine Koo and Lynette Tiong attended the Smart City Summit organised by the American Chamber of Commerce



(AmCham) at HKCEC on 17 June. Summit speakers included the CE Carrie Lam, the Former Mayor of Pittsburgh Tom Murphy, Christine Loh and Nicholas Yang.

- i) The Asian Family Summit (AFS), co-organised by the Family Council, was held at the HKU Centennial Campus. Information on the event was promoted among members.
- j) The “Belt and Road International Young Fashion Designers Showcase Tour” initiated by Annie Wu and curated by Angel Hon aimed to provide a platform for young fashion designers to showcase their works in several countries spanning four continents. The kick-off press conference featured a fashion show by Hong Kong and Chinese designers held at the Asia Society on 29 May was attended by Caroline Mak, Mabel Mak, Cindy Chan, Mary Lam, Kathy Yip, Biba Wong, Ella Cheong, Pam Mak, Janice Tsang and Sandra Mak.
- k) HKWPEA had also accepted the invitations to be a supporting organisation of the 1st 大灣區傑出女企業家獎 2018, the 4th Golden Age Summit 2019 and also the Golden Age Foundation’s program on Smart Ageing Innovation Lab.



Meetings with the chamber of commerce and inbound delegations from overseas:

- a) Sandra Mak and Cindy Chan met with a delegation of female political and professional leaders from Myanmar at the China Club on 5 January.
- b) Angela To, Helen Kan, Louisa Lui, Janice Tsang, Grace Tse and Merlinda Ng attended the Business Luncheon with Australia Victoria Minister for Women, the Honourable Natalie Hutchins MP, at Novotel Century Hong Kong on 20 April.
- c) Fanny Lui and Angela To met with Sheila Dickinson, Chair of the Women in Business Committee of British Chamber of Commerce (Britcham), to explore future collaborations on 13 August.



Acknowledgement

We take the opportunity to thank President Sandra Mak and the HKWPEA members for all valuable support over the past 12 months. In particular, we wish to express our appreciation to Sandra Mak, President, Helen Kan and Louisa Lui, Vice-presidents, for contributing much of their time and efforts to promote the Association at all functions and events.

IV. Legal

Alexandra Lo is the Chairperson of the Committee.

1. Articles

The main exercise during the current term of office was the amendment of the M&A of the Association to incorporate a new set of Articles of Association ("Articles") that would comply with Hong Kong's new Company Law. A task group composed of Marina Wong, April Chan and Alexandra Lo was formed, supported by Legal Committee members Angela Ho, Maria So, Lora Yip and Joyce Chan. The final draft of the Articles was first tabled at the 12th Exco meeting on 13 Nov 2017. Although it included most of the relevant provisions in the Model Articles of the new Company Law, it was resolved that the existing shape and order of provisions would be followed, so new provisions were inserted instead of replacing the old document with the Model Articles.

While the new law did not require companies to have an objects clause, Exco decided that the Association

would retain one as it helps to focus the mission and core objectives of the Association, and so the existing clause was updated and moved to the new Articles. It was reported that general powers of borrowing were included in the new Articles.

Other changes included modernizing communication channels, giving longer notice periods (21 days' notice) for general meetings and for sending balance sheets to members. For further details, please read the Explanatory Memorandum. This document explained the key changes made but it did not form part of the Articles.

2. Significant Controllers

The other major exercise of this year is to prepare the Significant Controllers' Register for both the Association and the Charitable Foundation as required by the Companies (Amendment) Ordinance 2018. After assessment, Exco resolved that there was no significant controller involved

3. Liability Insurance

The board has resolved to purchase Association Liability Insurance (including Directors' and Officers' Liability and Professional Liability Insurance) for the Association and the Charitable Foundation. The policy was entered into with QBE Insurance in April 2018.

Special thanks are made to my committee members Angela Ho, Maria So, Lora Yip and Joyce Chan.

V. Mainland Liaison

Louisa Lui is the Chairperson of the Committee.

1. China Trip

a) A total of 6 members joined the Ningxia trip (香港專業女性寧夏考察團) on 22-27 May 2018; including Nancy Chan, Selina Cheng, Lucy Kwan, Fanny Lui, Salome See and Catherine Yau. Itinerary included a brief gathering with local officials who helped reform the area with passion and a visit to the Ningxia hospital which was well equipped with state of the art technology but required more professionals and talents. All had an unforgettable expedition including a series of scenic visits.



b) Cindy Chan and Maggie Lam attended the “指尖上的絲綢之路——國際女性手工藝發展論壇” co-organized by All China Women’s Federation (全國婦聯) and Shaanxi Provincial Government in Xian on 11-12 May, 2018 on behalf of the Association.

2. Relationship Building with the China Liaison Office (LOCPG)

- a) The Director General of the Co-ordination Department of the LOCPG 中聯辦協調部部長沈冲 attended the AGM cum OWA Presentation Ceremony on 28 September 2017;
- b) LOCPG 協調部副部長宋瑋 attended the 2017 Christmas Party on 8 December, 2017;
- c) LOCPG 副主任仇鴻 & 協調部副部長宋瑋, 全國婦聯副主席夏杰 & 聯絡部副部長趙紅菊等多位領導 also attended the Spring Dinner on 23 March, 2018;
- d) Helen Kan & Louisa Lui attended 香港各界婦女社團領袖餐聚 hosted by 中聯辦副主任仇鴻 on 27 March, 2018.

VI. Membership

Rebecca Choy and Agnes Koon are the Co-Chairpersons of the Committee.

1. HKWPEA has a total membership of 169, among which five are Associate Members and seven are Overseas Members. Out of the total membership, 34% are executives, 28% are professionals and 38% are entrepreneurs, across twenty-four industry sectors.
2. Membership Committee organized a new member recruitment tea gathering to meet potential new members on 23 Nov 2017.
3. The Committee is very pleased to report that 5 members joined HKWPEA since the last AGM. They are (sequence according to the dates of joining):
 - i. Winnie Tang (rejoin) - Chief Executive Officer, ESRI China (Hong Kong) Ltd
 - ii. Viola Ho – Owner & Managing Director, Confiserie Benji Ltd
 - iii. Natalie Chan – Managing Director, PIE Strategy Ltd
 - iv. Magdalena Wong (rejoin) – Part-time lecturer, Chinese University of Hong Kong; Chief Advisor, NuanceTree Marketing Insights
 - v. Karen Chan – Vice President & Executive Director, German Pool HK Ltd

Since the last AGM, we have 8 resignations, including Ann Cooley, Elaine Ma, Carrie Shiu, Carol Wong, Christine Koo, Rhoda Liu, Alice Chiu and Winnie Young.

The committee was making every effort to collect outstanding membership fees, with concerted help and effort from other members. Due to an increasing number of members with overdue membership fees, it was decided at the July 2018 Exco meeting to initiate the termination mechanism for those who have not paid their annual fees since 2017. To facilitate the reminder system of outstanding membership, members will be reminded on circular of the outstanding status.

VII. Newsletter & Communication

Helen Kan and Grace Tse are the Co-Chairperson of the Committee.

1. Two newsletters have been issued in September 2017 and June 2018 respectively. Every issue was a testimony of the great collaboration among the entire editorial team. In each issue of the newsletter, we have covered our President's message, recent events, upcoming events, members' news and members' public achievements. These productions serve as good records of the Association's vibrant activities throughout the year and provide Members a very comprehensive understanding of the Association's developments on an on-going basis.
2. We would like to record our sincere appreciation to Janet Yu who has been sponsoring and supporting the hosting as well as the updating of our website 'www.hkwpea.org' all these years.

VIII. Public Affairs

Sylvia Lee and Janice Tsang are the Co-Chairpersons of the Committee.

The Public Affairs Committee aims to facilitate and raise the awareness of public affairs among our HKWPEA members, and to help draft and submit relevant response papers on some selected topics through formation of various taskforce with active participation of our members. Throughout the past year, we are most grateful for the unfailing active support and participation of our members in prevailing social topics discussion. Special thanks must be extended to the Task Force specialists in the relevant chosen topics; their expert insight and advice is always most helpful in facilitating the drafting of the HKWPEA's respective response to the HKSAR Government.

1. **Smart City Blueprint for Hong Kong Consultation**

- Submitted on 30th Sep 2017
- Thanks to Dr. Winnie Tang for giving a very comprehensive and insightful presentation on the subject at the luncheon meeting on 15th Sep 2017

2. **CEDAW Public Consultation**

- CEDAW: “Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women”
- Response paper submitted by Janice Tsang on behalf of the HKWPEA on 27th May 2018, after attending the additional session of public forum on 16th May 2018.

We look forward to further active participation of our members in the upcoming year to share their views on further various public affairs related issue to help build a better and healthier Hong Kong!

IX. **Social Enterprise and Services**

Selina Cheng and Salome See are the Co-Chairpersons of the Committee.

A. **Social Enterprise**

1. **Social Enterprise Summit 2018 – A Dinner to Remember, Art Night By the Harbour**

HKWPEA is pleased to be the sponsor the Social Enterprise Summit again this year. A Dinner to Remember will be held on November 22, 2018, at the Quayside Harbour Front Restaurant and Bar.

The theme of the Dinner is "Art Night By the Harbour", featuring a number of local art works to create an artistic, stylish and joyful night for all the guests. We have a local illustrator joining us to give our guests his signature "faster-piece" drawing onsite.

2. **The Hong Kong Social Enterprise Challenge**

The Hong Kong Social Enterprise Challenge (HKSEC 香港社會企業挑戰賽), an inter-collegiate social venture plans competition organized by the Center for Entrepreneurship of The Chinese University of Hong Kong, has been at the frontier in educating students and the general public about social enterprises in Hong Kong.

Through a structured competition model, HKSEC encourages students to employ a creative entrepreneurial approach to solve real world social issues. More than 7,300 students from 45 institutions have had the opportunities to showcase their creative ideas and desire of being a change agent in our society by joining this competition. They have generated over 1,200 business ideas for social enterprises.

HKWPEA is committed to promoting social innovation in Hong Kong and has therefore sponsored \$10,000 every year since 2013 to conduct a public voting on the shortlisted teams for the HKSEC.

B. **Services Projects**

1. **Stand by Me Project**

From 2018 to 2020 HKWPEA will co-organize “Stand by Me” project with Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council to address the pressing issues facing “youth in low confidence” in HK.

It is a 24-months project designed to address the “low confidence level, low self-image, low life direction mentalities and attitudes” that are prevalent among some youths in Hong Kong.



The program aims to deliver:

- “Messages of positivity” to an estimated reach of about 3000 youths
- 120 youth become active participants of development programs
- 20 to 30 to receive in-depth mentoring to be Life Ambassadors be transformed and will inspire others to follow

Results of transformation will be measured by:

- A pre-post questionnaire to measure the level of happiness – 80% of mentors and mentees expected to find the results satisfying, i.e. an improvement in the level of happiness
- The Cambridge Occupational self-Analysis tool will be employed – 85% of youngsters expected to improve their knowledge /ability in choosing a suitable career
- A pre-post self-evaluation of attitudes – 80%+ to realize a change and adopt a positive perspective

Monitoring and financial disbursement:

- Half-yearly progress reports to be submitted for review
- Half-yearly disbursement at a sum of HK\$ 87,500 each time, upon satisfactory delivery of service. A total sum of HK 350,000 has been committed.

In the programme, Life Ambassadors will organize 「小心願、大任務」 self-challenge projects. Members of HKWPEA can provide mentorship in the process of project conceptualization and execution. Life Ambassador teams will video tape the processes and create a platform to propagate the messages of positivity to the community at large.

Roles of HKWPEA Members:

- Serve as resource providers by leveraging our members’ capabilities and networks to provide a variety of resource support such as internship opportunities, speaking in sharing sessions e.g. Conversation with CEO and so forth
- Serve as role models in “Stand by me- Follow me” project
- Serve as mentors to the Life Ambassadors. Youngsters will shadow them for 4 days within a year, to experience the many roles played by professionals, successful business women and other leadership types
- Through personalized contacts, members to mentor them on their journey to adulthood
- Serve as advisors and consultants to the 「小心願、大任務」 community projects

2. Leadership Training Program for Underprivileged Youngsters

“Leadership Training program for Underprivileged Youngsters” is organized in its fifth year with the Hong Kong Association of Careers Masters and Guidance Masters (HKACMGM). We have chosen the following programmes to be organized every year due to its popularity:

- a) Interview skill training and company visit at China Citic Bank International, presented by Ms. Helen Kan
- b) Image grooming workshop, conducted by Ms. Priscilla Chan
- c) iPresent with confidence, an intensive presentation workshop, hosted by Ms. Tan Chew Yen
- d) Company visit to PCCW’s Integrated Service Network Operation Centre
- e) Communication skills training, conducted by Ms. Rebecca Choy
- f) Dining etiquette at our member’s restaurant King Parrot, at the courtesy of Ms. Anna Chau



We have also added a new programme called “Workplace Attachment Programme” so that the underprivileged or special needs students can have a work-based experience programme to enhance their exposure and skills in a real-life organizational context. Members will be invited to join and participate.

3. Hong Kong Shared Good Values Case Competition 2018

As one of the Supporting Organizations of Hong Kong Shared Good Values Case Competition 2018 organized by Wofoo Social Enterprises, HKWPEA SE and Service Committee members Angela To, Yuen Mei Chow and Deborah Wan attended the Opening Ceremony on 24 February. Between March to May, both Yuen Mei and Deborah participated as the mentors for two groups of college students which were finalists to compete in the case project "Green Ladies & Green Little" operated by St James' Settlement. At



the Hong Kong Shared Good Values Case Competition 2018 for Green Ladies and Green Little, both Chow Yuen Mei and Deborah Wan contributed great efforts to mentor two separate groups of college students. At the Grand Final, the Championship Winner was mentored by Chow Yuen Mei, and 2nd Runners up mentored by Deborah Wan, out of 5 finalists.

The movement aims to promote core concepts such as corporate culture building, social impact assessment and creating shared values.

4. The Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) Scholarship Programme

HKWPEA has supported The Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) Scholarship Program for UST student since 2012 by sponsoring them HKD 20,000 each year. So far we have sponsored 9 students over the years and will continue to do so in 2018/19.

C. Awards

HKWPEA, through the nomination of the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council, is honored to be nominated again for “Caring Organization “of HKCSS (Hong Kong Council of Social Services) in the year 2017-2018.

X. Cultural & Art

Kitty Poon and Yolanda Ng are the Co-Chairpersons of this Committee.

"Antique Appreciation Tour"

The Antique Appreciation Tour was successfully held on 14 April, 2018 at various galleries along Hollywood Road, including Andy Hei Ltd., 88 Gallery and Wui Po Kok Antique Co., Ltd.

With the support from Hong Kong Antique and Art Galleries Association, we've been to a journey from the ancient time to the modern time, appreciating Fine Chinese Antique furniture and works of art.



The committee also offered members tickets to art events including Ink Asia 2017, Fine Art Asia 2017 & 2018, etc. The committee continues to promote the culture and arts by offering opportunities to attend relevant events held in Hong Kong.

XI. Charitable Foundation Liaison

Marina Wong and Eva Cheng are the Co-Chairpersons of the Committee.

1. Through the Mother's Day Charity Shopping Day held on 28 April, 2018 kindly arranged by Angel Hon, HK\$ 80,000 was received by the Charitable Foundation. 56 participants turned up including members, Sandra Mak, Eva Cheng, Angela To, Caroline Mak, Selina Cheng, Rebecca Choy, Lynette Tiong, Alice Tso and Marina Wong.
2. The Charitable Foundation supported the Stand by Me project co-organised with the Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council. An amount of HK\$350,000 was pledged.
3. The bank balance of the Charitable Foundation as at 31 August 2018 stood at \$1,782,213.51.



XII. OWA Alumni

Caroline Mak and Grace Tse are the Co-chairpersons of this newly created Committee.

Members of the OWA Alumni Committee defined the intended mission to be:

- 1) creating a platform to engage OWA awardees to inspire the next generation entrepreneurs and professionals;
- 2) leading efforts in maintaining connection between the Association and Awardees; and
- 3) helping promote the Association and future OWAs.

The idea of HKWPEA building and maintaining relationships with OWA Awardees (now over 40 awardees) in a more structured manner was endorsed at Executive Committee meeting on 8 January 2018 and a self-funded pilot gathering for OWA awardees to be organized by OWAAC to explore common goal was approved.

OWAAC organized the first-ever OWA Awardees Reunion Dinner on 20 March 2018 at Shou Zen, a Japanese restaurant founded and operated by Mrs. Viola Wong, also one of our 2014 OWA Awardees - Outstanding Women Entrepreneur. The Reunion Dinner was successfully held with the presence of 13 past awardees and all HKWPEA current and past presidents (Marina Wong, Eva Cheng, Caroline Mak, Agnes Koon and Sandra Mak), Angel Hon and Grace Tse. There were active engagements and rich



conversations amongst all participants during the three-hour dinner. Awardees got to know their peers and learning more about HKWPEA and its recent and current projects while OWAAC learned through survey findings that majority of awardees were more interested in "promoting professional excellence" as a meaningful purpose. OWAAC is currently arranging the next dinner with OWA awardees in November 2018 when program options will be discussed.

At this point, more than ever before, I am filled with unspeakable gratitude. Someone once said 'Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates vision for tomorrow.' I'd like to thank you most heartily for friendship and support over the four years of my Presidency. It's been a demanding journey made possible and enjoyable only because of your continuous contribution to our shared goal. In peace and with great pleasure, I'd be handing over to the next President who would, no doubt, lead the Association to flourish further.

Before I close, I'd also like to renew my thanks to the dedicated Secretariat, to whom I am indebted for forbearance and accommodation, among other things. Tomorrow will always be a better day, for as long as we stay true to ourselves and have faith in the community we love.

Sandra Mak

President

27 September 2018